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The balance on hand in the treasury of the Association, April 21, 1917, was \$387.92. The receipts during the year were as follows: dues, \$1386.60, interest, \$16, from sale of the pamphlet, *Practical Value of Latin*, \$27.05, from sale of reprints of Professor Cooper's paper, \$9.38, on account of special train for the Princeton Classical Conference, June 2, 1917, \$402.09, miscellaneous, \$7.20, a total of \$1848.32. The amount in the funds was thus \$2236.24. The expenditures were as follows: expenses of annual meetings, 1917, balance, \$17.50, 1918 (on account), \$47.65, clerical assistance, \$290.50, interest transferred to Savings Bank, \$16, paid to THE CLASSICAL WEEKLY for members, \$693, Princeton Classical Conference, \$380.44, postage, \$84.49, printing and stationery, \$57.02, rebates (The New York Classical Club, \$39, The Classical Club of Pittsburgh and Vicinity, \$25), \$64, supplies, \$52.60, telephone and telegram service, \$2.16, travelling expenses, \$84, a total of \$1789.36. The balance, April 27, 1918, was \$446.68, as against \$387.92 a year ago, an increase of \$58.96.

On April 21, 1917, the balance to the credit of THE CLASSICAL WEEKLY was \$311.33. The receipts during the year from all sources was \$2517.98. The total in the funds was thus \$2829.31. The expenditures were \$2223.47. The balance on April 27, 1918, was \$605.84, as against \$311.33 a year ago, an increase of \$294.51.

During the year the sum of \$313.90 was sent to the University of Chicago Press. This consisted, in the main, of 161 subscriptions to The Classical Journal, and 67 subscriptions to Classical Philology (for the previous year the figures were 162 and 67).

During the year, as the result of War conditions the membership fell from 760 to 681. The subscription price of THE CLASSICAL WEEKLY, to persons outside the territory of the Association, was raised, on June 1 last, to \$1.50, on November 1, to \$2.00. The subscription list a year ago was 876; now it is 704. Up to May, 1917, the largest amount received in one year for subscriptions proper was \$880.40; this year it was \$1098.20, an increase of \$217.80.

The total cost of the pamphlet, *The Practical Value of Latin*, 15,000 copies, has been \$278.65 (plus amounts, not ascertainable, because not kept separately till the year just ended, for postage in sending out copies): the sales have amounted to \$295.70. The profits (less postage costs) are thus \$17.05. The cost of 5000 copies of Professor Cooper's paper was \$30.77 (plus postage, unknown). Sales have amounted to \$44.48. The profits (less postage), are thus \$13.71.

C. K.

#### MR. PRICE ON LATIN AND THE MODERN LANGUAGES.

At the meeting of The New York Classical Club, held on March 16 (THE CLASSICAL WEEKLY 11.192), a letter was read, written by Mr. W. R. Price, the member of the Examinations and Inspections Division of the New York State Department of Education who is in special charge of matters relating to Modern Languages, to Dr. A. L. Hodges, Chairman of The Classical Forum of The New York Classical Club. The letter is printed here by permission of Mr. Price: "I wrote you recently the following statement: 'If German is to disappear wholly or in large part

from the High School, then the best educational policy would be to require Latin as the first foreign language and French as the second, in all academic courses, while Spanish should be limited rigidly to the Commercial course'.

"I believe that there is no modern foreign language except German that can possibly compete with Latin in elements of *general linguistic training* (I am not talking about cultural values now at all). I further believe that the study of Latin is *indispensable* training for English and especially French. I further believe that it is a crime against the youth of our country to urge upon them the indiscriminate election of Spanish."

#### THE WASHINGTON CLASSICAL CLUB

The Washington Classical Club brought its interesting program for the season to a worthy close, on April 26, with an illustrated lecture, entitled *Survivals of Roman Life in Modern Italy*, given by Professor W. B. McDaniel, of the University of Pennsylvania, in his own delightful style. Professor McDaniel's acquaintance with the less superficial life of Italy made it possible for him to point out the persistence of many superstitions, amusements, practices, even characteristic traits, through the ages that lie between classical and modern Italy.

Professor C. S. Smith, of The George Washington University, President of the Club, spoke briefly, in introducing the lecturer, of the necessity of keeping alive the study of Latin and Greek as a "War measure", and quoted in support of his argument an address recently made in Washington at a meeting of the local Phi Beta Kappa Association, and also Senator Lodge's address at the Princeton Conference of last June.

MABEL C. HAWES, *Secretary-Treasurer*.

#### CORRECTIONS

The article entitled *Military Parallels*, THE CLASSICAL WEEKLY, 11.87 should be credited to Professor H. C. Nutting, of the University of California.

On page 183 of the current volume, first column, line 39, for "Socrates" read 'Isocrates'.

In Father Geyser's *Vexillum Stellatum*, a Latin version of The Star-Spangled Banner, 11.191, two most regrettable errors were made after the proofs left my hands. In the third stanza, line 2, an inserted *a* worked havoc, and in the last line a 'dropped' *i* did damage. Read, of course, *belli vastationem* and *patriam*.

C. K.

All possible pains are taken in mailing THE CLASSICAL WEEKLY. Yet accidents will happen, so that a name is occasionally missed. The service rendered by the Post Office this year has, it is well known, left much to be desired.

Members and subscribers who for any reason lack numbers of the current volume can probably obtain copies of those missing numbers, by writing to Professor Knapp (he cannot divine what numbers members and subscribers lack), and enclosing one cent in postage for each number desired.

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